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Sir:

In response to the Examiner Interview Summary Record, subsequent to the telephone interview of April 12, 2004, the Substance of the Interview is provided below. The Examiner Interview Summary Record was sent via regular mail by Examiner Namitha Pillai.

## THE EXAMINER INTERVIEW SUMMARY RECORD

A verbatim listing of the Examiner Interview Summary Record, subsequent to the telephone interview of April 12, 2004, wherein agreement with respect to claim 1 was not reached, is as follows:

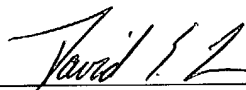
"1) The similarities of the features disclosed in Dowling and those disclosed in claims was confirmed 2) The role of databases that provide hierarchical information as taught in Goldman was discussed in relation to the features disclosed in the claims of the present invention 3) Examiner explained the obviousness and motivation provided by Dowling, wherein a combination of Dowling and Goldman's hierarchical data structure would have been obvious to one skilled in the art."

The Applicant looks forward to the issuance of the patent resulting from the above-identified application.

Respectfully Submitted,

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